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In re application of: Kenneth M. Buckland, et al.  
Serial No. 09/452,828  
Filing Date: December 1, 1999  
For: TIME SLOT INTERCHANGER (TSI) AND  
METHOD FOR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NODE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review of the above-identified  
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02 FC:103 180.00 OP